

pressed upon me the fact that I must show no fear; he said to appear confident and not to take my eyes off the animals. I followed his advice, although I must confess the temptation to just drop everything and run was great.

I'll never forget the sensation as I walked in among those three lions for the first time. They tell me that I showed no fear but even if that is true I certainly felt afraid.

Caesar, a huge animal, transfixed me with his big yellow eyes and half

arose as I came toward him. The keeper told me not to hesitate and that there was no danger. I thought to myself, "it's easy enough to say no danger when you're far away but when you're on the inside looking out, that's another story!"

After my first experience I didn't have the slightest fear when obliged to make pets of wild animals. I am sure that that is why I get along so nicely with the beasts. Among all the animals, the leopards are my favorites. I know them all by name and they are great pets.

HOYNE STARTS WAR AS HE DEMANDS THAT BIG BUSINESS PAY TAXES

If Chicago is going to get more money for schools, libraries and parks there are two places to start the job, according to a statement sent by State's Att'y Hoyne to the assessors and board of review.

Thousands of acres of land held by corporations and individuals ought to pay taxes instead of dodging taxes. And, says Hoyne, there should be more taxes paid on the "many classes of personal property employed in business for the earning of large profits."

Eight typewritten pages explaining the tax machinery and getting down to brass tacks on how to make Big Business come across with more tax money are in the statement. It is Hoyne's last word to the tax officials, Frank Ryan, Fred Blocki and Tom Webb of the Board of Review, and to the five assessors on what the state's attorney's office will do in the way of criminal prosecution.

The Tribune lets out a loud howl and calls Hoyne names this morning. It says:

"This is not the time to raise the lines imposed on the taxpayers who fail to file sworn schedules. Wiser guidance is needed in the situation than can possibly emanate from any prosecutor or swaggering crusader."

Hoyne's carefully written-out warn-

ings to the tax officials will put the prosecutor in first class shape to go after certain tax dodgers as criminals if they try to do the same thing this year they have done other years. Here are some of Hoyne's warnings:

"Three months ago it was suggested to the taxing bodies that when the field assessors delivered schedules they should not merely throw the schedules into the vestibules of homes or slide them under the doors, but ring the doorbell and personally see some one who at that time was in charge of the residence. It was also suggested in the same letter that the field assessor, when delivering the schedules, should deliver a printed demand in the name of and signed in typewriting or printed by the board of review, requiring the filing of such schedule. It was further suggested that printed receipts be presented for signature. This requires no additional calls by the field assessor.

"This furnishes a check to the taxing bodies that the field assessors have performed their duties. It is eminently practical and will aid in prosecution.

"I have frequently said that if we are not going to enforce the laws rigidly and are to select some classes of personal property for exemption, that we should begin with: